

**REMARKS**

Claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10-14, and 26 have been canceled. Claims 4, 6, and 9 have been rewritten in independent form. As such, this amendment raises no new issues for examination. Applicant is submitting this amendment to place the claims in a better condition for Appeal.

Applicant is of the opinion that no additional fee is due as a result of this Amendment, except for a one-month extension of time. If any additional charges or credits are necessary to complete this communication, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 23-3000.

Respectfully submitted,

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